

Voyageurs National Park 2008 Group Campsite Reservation System

Introduction

The park has two group campsites. One is on Rainy Lake and the other site is on Kabetogama Lake. Group campsites have the following facilities:

- 7 tent pads
- 4 food lockers
- I enclosed vault toilet

- dock space for 8- 10 boats
- 2 fire rings
- picnic tables and scenic vistas

At each site one tent pad, picnic table, and food locker, and the vault toilet are wheelchair-accessible. *The park will provide a wheelchair lift for the dock upon request.*

Who can use a group campsite and when?

May 24, 2008 to September 30, 2008 **Rest of year** reservation required (online or by phone) - first-come, first-served; no reservations must be made at least 1 day prior to reservation required overnight permit required; the day you want to occupy the site pick up at Rainy Lake Visitor sites can be reserved 360 days in advance Center or at a boat launch overnight permit required; pick up at Rainy Lake or Kabetogama Lake Visitor Center groups of any size, up to 30 groups with a minimum of 14 people and a people maximum of 30 people - no fee \$35/night – reservations required; payable only site can be used for 14 consecutive days; maximum with a credit card site can be reserved for 7 consecutive days; 30 days in a calendar year maximum 30 nights in a calendar year check-in by 2:00pm at Rainy or Kabetogama Lake Visitor Center; call if delayed arrival expected check-out time is 12:00 noon cancellation and/or reservation change fee applies

How does a group make a reservation?

- online at www.Recreation.gov or
- by phone 1-877-444-6777

The National Call Center Hours are as follows: March 1- October 31 – 10:00am to 12:00am (EST) November 1- February 28 – 10:00am to 10:00pm (EST)

Can a group make a reservation at a visitor center or by calling the park? No. All reservations must be made through the National reservation system (Internet or telephone).



No one has reserved the site for today. Can I use it?

The group leader of a party of 14 to 30 people, can walk into a visitor center and check the availability of a group site for the current day. If the site is not reserved, the group can use it (after checking in) for that night only. There is no fee for one- night walk- in use from May 24-September 30, 2008. Additional nights must be reserved through www.recreation.gov or by calling 1-877-444-6777.

Can a group cancel its reservation?

Cancellations must be made by phone. Call 1-877-444-6777 to cancel a reservation. <u>Do not call</u> a visitor center or park headquarters.

<u>Is there a change or cancellation fee?</u> Yes. See table below.

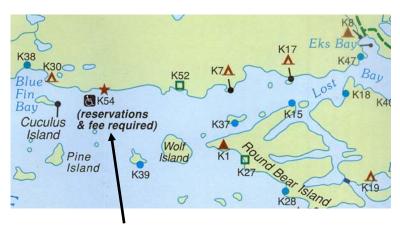
Action	Fee
Any change to your reservation	\$10.00 service fee
Cancel reservation more than 14 days	\$10.00 service fee
prior to scheduled arrival date	
Cancel reservation within 14 days of	\$10.00 service fee & forfeit 1st night's use fee = \$45.00
arrival	
Cancel a one night reservation within 14	Forfeit the use fee = \$35.00
days of arrival	

What will the park do with the fees collected?

For each reservation the park is charged a fee by the reservation system. Each online reservation costs \$6.35 and each phone reservation costs \$9.31. The park will use all remaining fees collected to manage the fee collection program and to maintain the group campsites.

Where are the group campsites?

The Rainy Lake group campsite is located in the Brule Narrows, south of buoy C13. The Kabetogama Lake group campsite is located on the north shore of Kabetogama Lake near Cuculus Island.



Kabetogama Lake Group Campsite



Rainy Lake Group Campsite

When the site is reserved, where does the group leader pick up the overnight permit?

The group leader gets the permit at the appropriate visitor center when he/she checks in. The group leader must hang his/her copy of the permit to a tent at the site.

When the site is first-come, first-served where does the group leader get the overnight permit?

The group leader can get the permit at the Rainy Lake Visitor Center (Wednesday through Sunday) or at any park boat launch.



Rainy Lake Group Site (9 miles from Rainy Lake Visitor Center)

What if the group leader gets delayed and cannot check- in by 2:00pm?

The group leader must check- in at the appropriate visitor center (either Rainy or Kabetogama) by 2:00pm or the reservation will be cancelled. If the group leader calls and explains the delay the park will hold the reservation for check- in no later than 4:30pm.

What if the group has to leave the site earlier than planned?

If the visitor center is open, the park requests the group leader to notify the visitor center staff. If the visitor center is closed, the park requests that the group leader puts the group's permit in the key drop box by the visitor center with a note stating an early departure.

<u>Is day use allowed at the group sites?</u>

Yes. Similar to all tent sites, day use is allowed at <u>vacant</u> group sites until 2:00pm.

For more information:

Kabetogama Lake Visitor Center (218) 875- 2111 (starting May 26, 2007)

Rainy Lake Visitor Center (218) 286-5258 – (October 1- mid- May, Wednesday- Sunday)

To make a reservation

www.recreation.gov

National Call Center – 1- 877- 444- 6777

Park Headquarters (218) 283-6600

www.nps.gov/voya



Kabetogama Lake Group Site (1.75 miles from Ash River Visitor Center or 2.75 miles from Kabetogama Lake Visitor Center)